(d) His grade of pay was Rs. 60—80. The pay of the Circle Inspector is Rs. 100—150.

(e) The pay of Mr. A. R. Raman is now Rs. 60—80. The pay of the Deputy Tahsildar is Rs. 100—150.

(f) The acting Circle Inspector was a second grade Sub-Inspector.

At present there is no separate class of officers as Revenue Inspectors. Clerks and Revenue Inspectors are in one cadre and they replace each other according to posting. Mr. Raman, who now works as Revenue Inspector, is liable to be posted as clerk at any time.

(g) Mr. Raman has put up in a total service of about 7 years and 4 months. A statement showing the various capacities in which he has worked is appened. (*Appendix II.*)

The acting Circle Inspector, Mr. Jacob, has put in a total service of about 2 years and 6 months. He has worked only as Sub-Inspector for 2 years, 4 months and 16 days.

(h) As stated in answer to Sub-division (f) above, there is no distinct class of officers known as Revenue Inspectors now. Among clerks now doing duty as Revenue Inspectors, Mr. Raman is the senior-most. He is now in charge of one of the head-quarter firkahs.

Tahsildar—qualification for the appointments of.

344. **Mr. K. Ayyappan.**— Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) have the Government passed a rule that no person would be eligible for appointment as Tahsildar unless he has served at least for three years as Revenue Inspector;

(b) when was it passed;

(c) was it after the appointment of the present Diwan;

(d) was this rule passed on the recommendation of the then Diwan Peishkar or did it originate from the Diwan himself;

(e) did the Government receive any application for the Tahsildar's or Deputy Tahsildars post during the years 1107, 1108 and 1109 from persons possessing this qualification and also other test qualifications prescribed in the Standing Orders for a Tahsildar;

(f) how many such applicants were there in all, and was there an Ezhuva among them;

(g) how many petitions has this Ezhuva officer submitted during the years 1107, 1108 and 1109 applying for Tahsildar's or Deputy Tahsildar's post;

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(h) what were the remarks made by the immediate superior in forwarding the petitions;

(i) were any replies given to his petitions; and if so, on what date, and what were the replies;

(j) did the Diwan Peishkar, Mr. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar, submit a report to the Government proposing modifications to the above-mentioned rule or recommending exemption to a few persons from the operation of this rule; and if so, on what date and what was the report ;

(k) will the Government be pleased to give a copy of the Government order exempting some persons from the rule referred to;

(l) who were the persons meant to be benefited by this order of exemption, and have not all of them already been provided with Tahsildar's post either acting or permanent ;

(m) were other persons who were not included in this list afterwards appointed to act as Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar; and if so, who were they ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) In May 1931.

(c) Yes

(d) It originated from the Diwan.

(e) Yes.

(f) One applicant; and he is an Ezhuva.

(g) Three petitions; one each in the years 1107, 1108 and 1109.

(h) Copies of the remarks of the Tahsildar and the Diwan Peishkar are appended. (*Appendix III*) (*a*).

(i) To his petition dated 1st Dhanu 1107 he was given a reply on 13th January 1932 as follows.—

"The petitioner is informed that his application will be considered when vacancies occur".

No reply was given to his other petitions.

(j) Yes; on 29th May 1931. The report was about the necessity of making some transitory arrangements for filling up vacancies of Tahsildars' posts until a supply of fully qualified hands become available.

(k) A copy of the Diwan's Proceedings dated 10th February 1932 No. R-Dis-7785/1107 is appended. (*Appendix III* (*b*)). The Diwan had also observed that the rule may have to be modified in special circumstances, if necessary.

(l) The order was not issued for the benefit of any particular individual or individuals.

(m) Mr. T. I. Chummar.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know Sir

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whether all the appointments of Tahsildars since May 1931 in consonance with the rule that is mentioned in (a)?

Mr. K.Achyuta Menon.—I think there had been persons with three years experience as Revenue Inspectors.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Why was a breach in the rule made?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—He was not fit to be appointed as a Tahsildar.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—How was he not fit?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—Because the person was not fit.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—On what grounds?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—It was reported that he has not been put in charge of any important Firkah and as such he had no experience as Revenue Inspector. Again in point of service, in point of experience and in point of general aptitude he was not fit.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—Appendix III (a). May I know who is this Mrs. V. Krishna Menon?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—I think it is Messrs.

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345. മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. എ. രാമചന്ദ്രയ്യർ.—താഴെ എഴുതുന്ന ചോദ്യത്തിനു ഗവൺമെണ്ട് ദയവായി മറുപടി പറയാമോ?

(a) സമസ്തകേരളസാഹിത്യപരിഷത്തുവക ത്രൈമാസികം സർക്കാരിൽനിന്നും ഏതാനും പ്രതികൾ വാങ്ങണമെന്നു് അഭ്യർത്ഥിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ;

(b) ഇപ്പോൾ ഗവൺമെണ്ടിൽനിന്നും ഏതെല്ലാം മാസികകൾ വാങ്ങുന്നുണ്ടു്; ഏതു പ്രതിവീതമെന്നും എന്നുമുതൽ വാങ്ങിയുടങ്ങി എന്നും പറയാമോ; ഓരോ മാസികക്കും ഏതു ഉരുപ്പികവീതം കൊല്ലത്താൽ കൊടുക്കുന്നുണ്ടു്;

(c) അപേക്ഷയെ എന്തുചെയ്തു;

(d) ഡയറക്ടർ വല്ല അഭിപ്രായവും പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ടോ;

(e) ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ എന്താണു?

മിസ്റ്റർ ഐ. എൻ. മേനോൻ.—(a) ഉവ്വു്.

(b) ഹജൂരാപ്പീസ്സിലേക്കു വാങ്ങുന്ന മാസികകളുടെ വിവരങ്ങൾ അടങ്ങിയ ഒരു പട്ടിക അനുബന്ധമായി ചേർത്തിട്ടുണ്ടു്. (അനുബന്ധം *IV*).

(c) അനുവദിച്ചില്ല.

(d) ഉവ്വു്.

(e) അപേക്ഷ സ്വീകരിക്കേണ്ട ആവശ്യമില്ല എന്നു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. എ. രാമചന്ദ്രയ്യർ.—ഇപ്പോൾ ഗവൺമെണ്ടിൽനിന്നും ഏതെല്ലാം മാസികകൾ വാങ്ങുന്നുണ്ടു് എന്നുള്ള ചോദ്യത്തിനു് ഹജൂരാപ്പീസിലേയ്ക്കു വാങ്ങുന്ന മാസികകളുടെ

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APPENDIX II.

Statement showing the various capacities in which Mr. A. R. Raman has worked and their duration.

Clerk, Diwan Peishkar's Office	4½ months.
Probationary Revenue Inspector	2 years.
State Surveyor	9 months.
Manager, Survey and Land Records Office	3½ months.
Revenue Inspector	1 year, 3 months.
Clerk, doing duty as Revenue Inspector	2 years, 7½ months

APPENDIX III (a).

Remarks of the Tahsildar, dated 2nd Dhanu 1107, on petition dated 1st Dhanu 1107 from Mr. A. R. Raman Revenue Inspector, Anthikkad,

Submitted to the Diwan Peishkar with the remarks that the petitioner is deserving of encouragement.

Remarks of the Diwan Peishkar, on the above petition dated 5th Dhanu 1107.

Forwarded.

Diwan Peishkar's remarks dated 1st Chingam 1109 on Mr. A. R. Raman's petition, dated 31st Karkadagam 1108.

Forwarded. I do not think that there is sufficient justification to give him the Tahsildar's post just now. He has put in only a service of about 7 years. There are very many seniors to him. Two of such seniors namely Messrs. V. Krishna Menon and T. I. Chummar have already undergone the necessary survey training for appointment as Tahsildars. Mr. Krishna Menon is now acting as the Deputy Tahsildar of Cranganur and Mr. Chummar as Manager of my office. Both of them are very honest, efficient and hard working officers. Their character also leaves nothing to be desired. They have worked under me while I was the Secretary to the Diwan and I had ample opportunities to know their worth and character. No doubt Mr Raman belongs to a community which is not very well represented in Government service and it was for this reason that he was recently appointed as Senior Revenue Inspector on Rs. 60—80 overlooking the claims of 7 or 8 Revenue Inspectors As Revenue Inspector on Rs. 40 to 60, Mr. Raman was not in charge of any important Firkah. Before appointing him as Tahsildar he will have to work as Revenue Inspector in some important Firkah like Ernakulam and gain better experience of the working of the department. The question of giving him a Tahsildar's post may be considered in due course.

Tahsildar's remarks dated 6th Dhanu 1109, on Mr. Raman's petition, 1st Dhanu 1109.

The applicant has worked under me for a short period only. But during that period I have found him hard working and diligent. He was put in charge of responsible duties in connection with the Viceregal visit which he discharged with complete satisfaction.

Diwan Peishkar's remarks dated 25th Dhanu 1109 on the above petition.

Forwarded. Kind reference is solicited to my predecessor's endorsement dated 1st Chingam 1109 N. Dis. 34/1109, on a similar petition of the applicant forwarded to the Diwan.

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APPENDIX III (b).

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DIWAN OF COCHIN.

(Local and Legislative Department)

Amendments to Standing Orders.

Read (1) letter dated 18th December 1931 from the Diwan Peishkar.
and (2) Sarvadhikariakar's communication A No. 877/07, dated 20th January 1932.

Order R. Dis. 7785/07, dated 10th February 1932.

The following amendments to the Standing Orders are issued:—

Departments	Appointments	Tests	Remarks
Land Revenue	Tahsildars and Deputy Tahsildars	*General.* Revenue and Account Tests and Departmental Survey training. *Special.* Service as Revenue Inspector for three years. *Note.* Those who were holding permanent appointments on Rs. 100—150 grade on 1st Medam 1105 and who were below 45 years on that date will be exempted from special qualifications. They will be on probation for one year.	
	Superintendent of Survey and Land Records	Revenue and Account tests and advanced Survey training	
	Samprathies	Account Test and Account training	
	Accountants	Account Test. *Note.*—Preference will be given to those who have passed the Accountant Test for appointments as Accountants on Rs. 25—40 grade.	
	All other posts of the Departments	Revenue Test. *Note.*—1. Preference will be given to those who have passed the Revenue Test for appointment as clerks on Rs. 25—40 grade. 2. Appointment of clerks to do duty as Revenue Inspectors will be guided by the following rules:—	

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APPENDIX III b)—(*cont.*)

Departments	Appointments	Tests	Remarks
		(i) Only clerks who have passed the Revenue Test and undergone a course of training in Survey for a period of three months will be posted to field work as Revenue Inspectors. (ii) Ordinarily, a clerk posted to the field as Revenue Inspector will be allowed to remain as such only for a period of 3 years at a time. But in exceptional cases, the Diwan Peishkar may give an extension for a period not exceeding one year. This will not apply to the existing Revenue Inspectors who are due to retire within the next three years. (iii) At the end of the first year's course of a Revenue Inspector, the Superintendent of Survey and Land Records should test his practical knowledge in survey and report if he is fit to be retained as Revenue Inspector for the remaining period. (iv) Only those clerks who have acquitted themselves well as Revenue Inspectors for a period of three years will be promoted to Rs. 40—60 and higher grades. (v) The clerks posted for field work will draw the consolidated travelling allowance fixed for each firkah.	
	Menons and Parvathiams.	Village Officers' Special Test and Survey training.	

(True extract)

(Sd.)
Secretary to the Diwan.

To

The Diwan Peishkar.

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